

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q87625

Takehiro MIWA, et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1651

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Examiner: Lora Elizabeth Barnhart

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For: METHOD FOR DIGESTING PROTEINS HIGHLY RESISTANT TO DENATURATION  
AND DEGRADATION

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY  
AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement of October 4, 2007, Applicant elects Group I, claims 1 - 3, 5, 6, 8, 13 - 18, and 20. Also, prior to the substantive examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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